

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Svendsen et al. Confirmation No: To be assigned

Serial No.: To be assigned Group Art Unit: To be assigned

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For: Alpha-Amylase Mutants

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Before examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: